

THE GOLDEN TORNADO COULDN'T BLOW THE SMOKE OUT OF GLENN WARNER'S PIPE DREAM

WARNER SHOWS NEW ATTACK IN VICTORY OVER GEORGIA TECH

Southerners Check Pitt's Old-Style Offense and Force Panthers to Use Aerial Drive to Triumph—Score Fails to Indicate Strength of Heisman's Eleven

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

ALTHOUGH Georgia Tech lost to the University of Pittsburgh Saturday by an apparently lopsided score, the game was one of the best-played and hardest fought in years. The final count, 32 to 0, is misleading. Pitt had the better team—there is no doubt of that—but not as good as the score indicates. The men of Warner deserve high praise for the wonderful victory, which virtually clinches the championship of the United States, but the gallant, gritty, game battle put up by the boys from the Southland cannot pass unnoticed.

I have seen many football teams go down in defeat, but never has a vanquished eleven looked so good as Georgia Tech. The boys, suffering in silence and fighting a losing battle from the start, accepted the verdict like true Southern gentlemen. They did not curse their luck, nor did they attempt to alibi themselves for the defeat. They just kept playing harder and harder as the game progressed, fighting for every inch they gained and disputing every advance made by Pitt. There was not a quitter on the team. The boys apparently did not know the meaning of the word, Georgia Tech made a name for itself in the North and Georgia should feel proud of her sons.

To the spectators in the grand stand the game looked one-sided and Tech outclassed. But such was not the case. Pitt met with the stiffest opposition since Glenn Warner took charge of the team and was forced to extend themselves to the limit from the start. Five touchdowns were scored, and those five touchdowns came after the hardest kind of play. The old steam-roller attack which has flattened all opposition for more than three years failed for the first time, and something new had to be sprung to advance the ball. An aerial attack was successful, and this, combined with the individual efforts of Tom Davies, gave victory to the Panther.

Pitt made eight first downs in the game, while Georgia Tech made four. Those figures tell the story more fully than anything else. Pitt could not gain consistently around the ends or through the line. This is the first time that attack has met with failure.

Two Lucky Breaks Favored Pittsburgh

IT IS easy to sit down after a game and dope out the whys and wherefores of a victory and a defeat. I am not belittling Pittsburgh in saying that all of the luck was on the side of the home team and the "breaks" broke in its favor.

To my mind, there were two turning points in the game. The first came after the first two minutes of play, when Pitt, unable to gain, was forced to punt. Flowers caught the ball, but fumbled when tackled and a Pitt man pounced upon it. That gave the Panthers a gain of 35 yards and placed them in a position to score.

The second "break" came at the start of the third period, when Pitt was leading by the score of 14 to 0. A lead of two touchdowns means nothing in modern football—as was shown in the Rutgers-Great Lakes game—and Tech came out after the intermission to score a victory. The men were thoroughly aroused and appeared on the field with tears streaming down their cheeks, but every one was confident there could be but one ending to the game.

One play, however, turned the tide, and that play came in the kick-off. Skip Gougler, a lad who always puts up a great game but seldom receives any credit, caught the oval and, running behind the most perfect interference I ever have seen, carried the ball 46 yards before he was downed. Skip's great gallop put new confidence into his team and two more touchdowns were scored before the period ended.

Then Tech was handicapped by the weather. The day was raw and cold, with an icy wind blowing across the muddy gridiron. In the morning there was a slight flurry of snow, which made the visitors believe they were up in Alaska or some place like that. They never have days like that in Atlanta, and the sudden change in temperature was too much. The men were shivering on the field, their hands became numb with the cold and this was the cause of the numerous fumbles.

Famous Shift Play Is Perfectly Legal

THE much-discussed "Heisman shift" was tried and found legal in every respect. Only once were the men offside, and that was a guard and tackle beat the ball. Some critics assert the shift was a failure, but I disagree with them. It is a great play and when working properly is difficult for any team to stop. Furthermore, there is no offside nine times out of ten, for Doctor Heisman has solved that problem.

After the signal is given the quarterback yells "Hip! Stop! Hip!" That allows the men to jump into the line, hesitate a moment and then charge. Tech also uses a double shift where the men line up first on one side and then on the other, but that, too, is taken care of with a "Hip! Hip! Stop! Go!"

Most of the plays are screened, and I would like to see what would happen if the shift was working properly. It has every appearance of a wonderful attack. It was surprising to see the Pitt backs hurled back when the first three plays were tried. Easlerday, Davies and McLaren gained only a few yards because the attack was hurled at the ends. Captain Finches and Flaton sifted through, however, and nailed the runner. Those ends are the best seen in this section in years. Smashes at the line were not very successful because of the superb defensive play of Joe Guyon, the Indian. Guyon was everywhere, tackling out at the ends and diving head first in the line to push back the runner. There is no telling what the score would have been had he been out of the game.

TECH'S defense was airtight, Pitt could not make any headway, so another style of play had to be introduced. This brings the crafty Warner back into the picture, for he had prepared for that very thing.

Warner's New Play Saved Day for Pitt

FOR many years I have been extolling Warner and his methods because I believe he is the greatest coach football ever has seen. Never has he come up to bat and struck out with the bases full. He always comes through with a wallop, and what a wallop he put over last Saturday! His old system of play, which has been used for the last three years, was showing signs of wear and tear and getting frayed around the edges. His opponents knew it and Warner also knew they knew it. So he made some repairs—not extensive ones—but made a change here and there without changing the principle of his attack. First he invented a dinky little shift of his own—calling back the tackles—nothing to brag about, but enough to worry the other side. Then he took his famous reverse play, which is known throughout the land, and added one little feature which did nothing but score three touchdowns.

He used this play to put over a forward pass, and only once did Tech get near enough to stop it. Every one was completely fooled, for the backs started exactly the same as on the reverse, the linemen jumped out of their positions to form interference and the other team flocked to the side where the ball was supposed to go. The ball was passed to Easlerday, who handed it to Davies as he passed. Davies, however, instead of running, stepped back and hurled the ball on a line to Easlerday, who was all alone on the other side of the field. The pass was not one of those limp, drooping, curving, rainbow things, but straight and fast as if shot out of a cannon. The oval never is less than seven feet from the ground and it is not an easy matter to catch it. Easlerday made some great running catches, getting the ball on his finger tips and pulling it down.

WALTER CAMP, who witnessed the game from the sidelines, was greatly impressed with Easlerday's work. "His catching of forward passes is the best I have seen in years," he said. "Nine players out of ten would give up when they see the ball so far away, but Easlerday kept right after it and was out. Every catch was a difficult one. But you mustn't forget that Davies is a very good passer."

Read Final Edition for Results of All Games

Be sure to read the Evening Public Ledger sports final. Everything in a sportway will be found in the final edition. Last Saturday the final edition contained scores of thirty-four completed football games and eight soccer games. The final also had detailed accounts of the four big games—Pitt-Tech, Penn-Swarthmore, Navy-Great Lakes, and Lehigh-Lafayette. In addition, the Radnor-Lower Merion game was reported in full. Everything of importance was thoroughly covered.

PENN-GEORGIA T. GAME CANCELED

Southerners Say Permission Cannot Be Obtained for December Contest

NEW OPPONENT WANTED

Georgia Tech has canceled its game with Penn scheduled for December 7, according to a statement issued by Edward R. Bushnell, graduate manager of athletics at the University, last night. The southern officials claim they cannot obtain permission for another trip North. The Red and Blue is now searching for another opponent and they will book a game for the December date if possible.

Tech was originally scheduled to play here on November 16, but scratched the game off the books when Colonel Leake's orders were issued for the students' army training corps. The game later was set back to December 7.

If Penn is not successful in booking a good attraction, it is likely that the League Island team, which plays Charleston Navy at Franklin Field next Saturday, will appear for a game with another service eleven. By Dickson's aggregation of sailors and Marines landed the Georgetown boys a 31-7 surprise at Washington on Saturday.

BETHLEHEM WINS

Hog Island Proves Easy Picking for Strong Visiting Eleven

The Bethlehem T. A. B. eleven from the Holy Infancy Church at Bethlehem, Pa., completely snowed out Coach E. J. Stiefank's team yesterday at the new athletic field at Ninety-fourth and Tinticum avenue, by a score of 32 to 0.

The forward passing of Morgan, Murphy and Downey, of the visiting team, were the features of the game. During the first period Barrick, Hog Island fullback, was so badly injured he had to be hospitalized. He was attached to the shipyard. Again in the second period Norton, the right tackle, broke his ankle and he also was immediately rushed to the hospital. The upstarters brought a large delegation along to cheer their team.

T. A. B. players: left end, Mike J. Moran; left tackle, Mike J. Moran; left guard, Dudley Blanton; center, Mike J. Moran; right guard, Leverton Hartick; right tackle, Mike J. Moran; left halfback, Mike J. Moran; right halfback, Mike J. Moran; fullback, Mike J. Moran; quarterback, Mike J. Moran; punter, Mike J. Moran; kicker, Mike J. Moran; line, Mike J. Moran; back, Mike J. Moran.

Touchdowns—Morgan, 2; Murphy, Stiefank, Downey. Goals from field—Downey, 2. Substitutes—Hog Island, Wolfe for Hartick; Lieberman for Norton, Macario for Corman, Heibel for Lieberman, Bethlehem. Coach for Stiefank, Marston for E. J. Stiefank, Lecker for S. Stiefank, McNeill for Downey, Hog Island, Timmekeepers—Johnny Smith, Hog Island; Collins, Bethlehem.

Score by periods: First, Bethlehem, 7; Hog Island, 0. Second, Bethlehem, 14; Hog Island, 0. Third, Bethlehem, 12; Hog Island, 0. Fourth, Bethlehem, 13; Hog Island, 0. Final score, Bethlehem, 32; Hog Island, 0.

BILLY MISKE IN TRIM

St. Paul Boy in Shape for Session With Dempsey

Billy Miske says he is down to weight for his battle with Jack Dempsey. The St. Paul fighter reached the hospital last week, and as this will be his first fight of importance in six months, he is out to make a real showing. He is expected in the main bout at the Olympia Thanksgiving afternoon.

Miske is doing his work at Herrmann's Gymnasium. Jack Thompson is acting as his sparring partner. Thompson is a heavy hitter, but in the work-out session has failed to do much with his SHIP opponent. Sam Langford and Jeff Clark meet in semi-final, Jack Thompson and Jamaica Kid, another brace of colored battlers, entertain in the fourth session. In the other bout Eddie Welsh takes on Steve Morris. Sammy Woodman tackles Eddie Denny and Kid Porter.

Regular reservations, due to the heavy advance sale, will be held only until tomorrow night. Acting Manager Leon Raina announced this morning.

Joe Phillips and Johnny Dundee, Johnny Mealy and Terry McGovern, Joe Burman and Dave Askey, Frankie Brown and Eddie Morgan, Jimmy McCabe and Walter Mohr and Jack MacLachlan and Jimmy Leggett will make up the Thanksgiving afternoon program of the National A. A.

Eddie McAndrews will meet Joe Koops in the final bout at the Cambria A. C. on Thanksgiving afternoon. Frank Britton and Mike Kunkel, Johnny Moran and Hugh Hutchison and three other bouts will complete the program.

RESULTS OF COLLEGE AND SERVICE FOOTBALL GAMES PLAYED SATURDAY

Table with columns for EAST, WEST, SOUTH, and SCHOLASTIC, listing various college and service football games and their results.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



Legality of Second Penn Touchdown Is Questioned

Did Officials Err in Allowing Points to Count When Locke Batted Ball Toward Swarthmore Goal, Enabling Frank to Register Winning Markers?

PENN evened the count with Swarthmore on Saturday, winning the second match of the hoodooed 1918 season from the rival Quakers by a score of 13 to 7. In the first clash between the two eleven, staged three weeks ago, the Garnet was victorious by 29 to 12.

The Red and Blue outplayed the visitors on Saturday and deserved the honors. The Point forwards got the jump on their opponents. The Penn teamwork was better, and both Rabbit Smith and Rosenau showed better judgment than the Garnet field. But despite this superiority the visitors would have won the game, in all probability, if it had not been for the queerest fumble seen in Franklin Field in many a long year. Many claimed it was illegal and that the touchdown scored by Penn on the play should not have counted.

Question Touchdown The incident occurred shortly after the kickoff following Penn's first touch-down and gave the Red and Blue the winning tally. No two persons agree on exactly what happened, but as the writer has the following in what took place: Geiges, the Swarthmore star, who played a wonderful game for the Garnet, tried a run around Penn's right end on a fake kick formation. Hopper, Penn's right end, drove him in, dove for him, missed but slowed Geiges up so that Harvey, the right halfback, and Locke, right tackle, reached Geiges a moment later.

Harvey hit him first, so hard that Geiges dropped the ball when he banged against the ground. Locke crashed into the back of the center, put in a brilliant ruling goes as made. If the Garnet had appealed it is possible that Kirberger would have reversed himself after a glance at the book.

Hopper Penn Star Hopper was Penn's star definitely and Braun offensively. Acting Captain Jim Neylon also played well, while Locke, the center, put up a brilliant game. Rabbit Smith was an inspiration to the team and McNielch threw forward passes with uncanny accuracy.

Geiges was the whole thing for Swarthmore, being the Garnet's only dependable ground gainer and doing the bulk of open-field tackling. Larkin, the big tackle, was strong on the defense and punted well at times. Howell, at left end, also put up a fine defensive game.

Frank Receivers Ball Vic Frank, a Penn guard, came lumbering up just in time to catch the piskin on a machine gun company and over for a touchdown. There wasn't a Swarthmore man near him and he was not tackled until he was right behind the goal line.

Now, the point is, was it legal for Locke to bat the ball toward the Swarthmore goal? Section 7 of Rule 16 reads: "A player may at any time bat the ball in any direction, save toward his opponent's goal. A ball in the air from a forward pass or a punt-out after touchdown may be batted in any direction, without exception. The penalty is loss of the ball to the offended side at the point where the offense took place."

Now, Locke batted the ball toward the Swarthmore goal. Whether he did it accidentally or not makes no difference under the rules. So it would seem that the officials erred in allowing the Penn touchdown.

L. Kirberger, of Washington and Jefferson, was the referee and it was up to him to decide the point. He ruled that Locke had struck the ball by accident while reaching for it and allowed the touchdown to stand.

But as Swarthmore did not put up a kick and appeal from the decision or ask that a rulebook be produced, the ruling goes as made. If the Garnet had appealed it is possible that Kirberger would have reversed himself after a glance at the book.

The places for holding the amateur open and junior meets will be decided at the annual meeting of the association in Chicago on January 18.

Theodore Elick, manager of Willie Spencer, the Gloucester bantam, is ready to fight for the title against "Pat" Young, (Frank) McGovern or any other boxer of that class.

Famous Harness Sire Dies New York, Nov. 25.—News of the death of Mathias, the leading sire of high-stopping harness horses in England, was received yesterday by Charles W. Smith, secretary of the National Horse Association, in the city of Philadelphia. Mathias, a stallion, made a record at the recent exhibition in Madison Square Garden, which horses may be without parallel.

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MIDDIE SUB OBEYED IMPULSE, NOT DOBIE, IN MAKING TACKLE

Annapolis Coach Denies That Saunders Acted Under Orders in Stopping Great Lakes Hero

MERELY LOST CONTROL

By EDWIN J. POLLOCK NERVES beyond control, heart pounding and dreams shattered, Midshepman Saunders, just a boy insane for the second, lost himself in the whirl of excitement at Annapolis and committed the most unique football sin that has been written into records of the great college game.

Harry Eielson, an apprentice seaman from the West, was sprinting down the white-lined Farragut Field on his errand of victory that ended in the 7-6 triumph for Great Lakes over the United States Naval Academy. Trailing him and losing ground with every stride, were terror-stricken Middles. With each step Eielson was widening the gap that meant fame to Great Lakes and defeat to the embryo officers.

Midshipman Saunders, a substitute on the sidelines, saw it all through eyes dimmed by the great thumping that was going on in his chest. Through his numbed mind only the pleadings of the Annapolis rooters penetrated. "Tackle him! Tackle him! Tackle him!" It sounded like a command. Midshepman Saunders, a human being, perhaps more excited than the average, merely obeyed that impulse. He tackled him.

Starts Near Riot Right out on the gridiron he rushed and he dropped the flying Eielson with a tackle that would have done credit to Jim Thorpe. Three or four Great Lakes players, forming the rear guard of protection for their victory hero, pounced upon the illegal substitute and started to rough him. The incident precipitated a riot.

Out ran the Navy substitutes and the Great Lakes reserve players started their dash from the opposite side of the field. The middle cheerers poured from the stands and it was ten minutes before the field was cleared for action again. There was no question about the illegality of Saunders on the field of play and Eielson was permitted to go on for a touchdown without a word of disagreement from the Navy officials.

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Dobie Denies Rumor The nervous excitement was too much for Saunders. He couldn't control himself. That's all there was to it. There was no question about the illegality of his act and, of course, the touchdown was allowed.

"I can't understand this rumor that he acted by direction. It would have been foolhardy had I attempted such a thing. It was plain that Eielson could not have been caught by a man eligible to make the tackle, and every one saw Saunders rush from the side line. Furthermore, several minutes before I told Saunders to warm up as I intended to put him in the game. He was running up and down the sidelines when the play occurred. I was not near him."

It was a yard back of the goal line where Eielson gathered in the fumble which he turned into a victory for the western sailors. The Annapolis bucks had played their way to a position that was virtually sure to result in another touchdown. Only three minutes remained to be played.

Bill Butler Fumbled Bill Butler, a Philadelphia boy, with the ball tucked under his arm, threw himself at the Great Lakes line. He slipped over the coveted goal mark, but as he was tackled the piskin slipped from his grasp. It fell directly at the feet of Annapolis Seaman Eielson. He snatched it with a low-sweeping scoop and with the same movement he was headed for the opposite goal line, 101 yards away.

In his wake trailed his opponents and his teammates in a wedge-shaped spread. Clear-headed even in the intense excitement, the western sailors began clipping off the Navy players, and when Eielson reached the point where he was so suddenly interrupted, he was leading the panting pack by a good five yards and going easy.

The touchdown tied the score, and it is a particular fact that the kicking of

AMERICAN CAGE CIRCUIT OPENS SEASON TONIGHT

St. Columba, Last Year's Champions, Meets South Phila. Y.

M. H. A. in Feature

The lid on the basketball campaign of 1918-19 will be lifted tonight at 8:15 o'clock at Traynor Hall, Franklin street and Columbia avenue, when the American League opens the season. It is the eighteenth year for the organization, which is the oldest in existence, and is the only one of any account operating.

There is little talk of reorganizing the Eastern League, although it is known that possibly the out-of-towners, especially Trenton and Reading, would like to get going the beginning of January.

The usual opening ceremonies will be a part of tonight's program. They include a band concert and speeches by Ira Thomas and William J. Scheffer, the recently elected head of the Delaware River Shipyards Basketball League.

The schedule calls for the champion St. Columba five to meet South Philadelphia Young Men's Hebrew Association, and the second class Hancock opposes Youns Truly.

St. Columba was lucky to win on Saturday against the All-Stars in one of the games played for the war fund. Jim Coffey's champs were away in the rear at the end of the first half, and by exceptionally fast work in the second period won, 24-22.

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